

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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VEHICLE THEFT
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the incidents of vehicle theft are increasing in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of the vehicles stolen in the country including in Delhi and Rajasthan during each of the last three years, till date, State-wise; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to check such incidents in future?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) & (b): As per information compiled by the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB), a total of 80750, 84150 and 89880 cases of motor vehicle thefts were reported in the country during 2004, 2005 and 2006 respectively, indicating an increasing trend during the period. The State-wise details regarding the number of cases of motor vehicle thefts during 2004 to 2006, as compiled by NCRB, are enclosed at Annexure- I. Provisional figures of NCRB regarding number of cases of motor vehicle thefts for 2007 are enclosed at Annexure- II.

(c): 'Police' and 'Public Order' are State subjects under the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution of India and therefore, the State Governments are primarily responsible for prevention, detection, registration and investigation of crime and for prosecuting the criminals through the machinery of their law enforcement agencies.